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*Patricia P. Thomas*  
Executive Director of the Board

BEFORE THE TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

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In the Matter of Registered Nurse           §       AGREED  
License Number 536126                       §  
issued to JULIE ANN KELLY               §       ORDER

On this day, the Texas Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the Board, accepted the voluntary surrender of Registered Nurse License Number 536126, issued to JULIE ANN KELLY, hereinafter referred to as Respondent. This action was taken in accordance with Section 301.453(c) of the Texas Occupations Code.

Respondent waived representation by counsel, informal proceedings, notice and hearing, and agreed to the entry of this Order.

The Board makes the following Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Prior to the institution of Agency proceedings, notice of the matters specified below in these Findings of Fact was provided to Respondent and Respondent was given an opportunity to show compliance with all requirements of the law for retention of the license.
2. Respondent waived representation by counsel, informal proceedings, notice and hearing, and agreed to the entry of this Order.
3. Respondent's holds a license to practice professional nursing in the State of Texas, which is currently in delinquent status.
4. Respondent received a Baccalaureate Degree in Nursing from Oklahoma State University, Stillwater, Oklahoma on May 1, 1986. Respondent was licensed to practice professional nursing in the State of Texas on November 19, 1986.
5. Respondent's complete nursing employment history is unknown.

6. At the time of the incident described in Finding of Fact Number Seven (7), Respondent was employed as a Registered Nurse with Cypress-Fairbanks Independent School District, Houston, Texas and had been in this position for ten (10) days.
7. On or about August 28, 2008 while employed as a Registered Nurse with Cypress-Fairbanks Independent School District, Houston, Texas, Respondent lacked fitness to practice professional nursing, in that her breath smelled of alcohol, she was distraught, and her eyes were red and swollen. Respondent refused a breathalyser test and admitted drinking alcohol all night the previous night. Respondent's conduct could have affected her ability to recognize subtle signs, symptoms or changes in patients' conditions, and could have affected her ability to make rational, accurate, and appropriate assessments, judgments, and decisions regarding patient care, thereby placing the patients in potential danger.
8. In response to Finding of Fact Number Seven (7), Respondent states that she did not admit to drinking all night, only prior to coming to work. In addition, Respondent states she is not working in nursing and is living in Colorado at this time and would like to be able to return to nursing at a later time.
9. Respondent, by her signature to this Order, expresses her desire to voluntarily surrender her license to practice nursing in the State of Texas.
10. The Board policy implementing Rule 213.29 in effect on the date of this Agreed Order provides discretion by the Executive Director for consideration of conditional reinstatement after proof of twelve (12) consecutive months of abstinence from alcohol and drugs followed by licensure limitations/stipulations and/or peer assistance program participation.
11. The Board finds that there exists serious risks to public health and safety as a result of impaired nursing care due to intemperate use of controlled substances or chemical dependency.

#### CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. Pursuant to Texas Occupations Code, Sections 301.451-301.555, the Board has jurisdiction over this matter.
2. Notice was served in accordance with law.
3. The evidence received is sufficient to prove violation of Section 301.452(b)(9)&(10), Texas Occupations Code, and 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §217.12(5)&(10)(A).
4. The evidence received is sufficient cause pursuant to Section 301.453(a), Texas Occupations Code, to take disciplinary action against Registered Nurse License Number 536126,

heretofore issued to JULIE ANN KELLY, including revocation of Respondent's license to practice nursing in the State of Texas.

5. Under Section 301.453(c), Texas Occupations Code, the Board has the authority to accept the voluntary surrender of a license.
6. Under Section 301.453(d), Texas Occupations Code, as amended, the Board may impose conditions for reinstatement of licensure.
7. Any subsequent reinstatement of this license will be controlled by Section 301.453(d), Texas Occupations Code, and 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §213.26-.29, and any amendments thereof in effect at the time of the reinstatement.

### ORDER

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS AGREED and ORDERED that the VOLUNTARY SURRENDER of Registered Nurse License Number 536126, heretofore issued to JULIE ANN KELLY, to practice nursing in the State of Texas, is accepted by the Texas Board of Nursing. In connection with this acceptance, the Board imposes the following conditions:

1. RESPONDENT SHALL NOT practice professional nursing, use the title "registered nurse" or the abbreviation "RN" or wear any insignia identifying herself as a registered nurse or use any designation which, directly or indirectly, would lead any person to believe that RESPONDENT is a registered nurse during the period in which the license is surrendered.
2. RESPONDENT SHALL NOT petition for reinstatement of licensure until: one (1) year has elapsed from the date of this Order; and, RESPONDENT has obtained objective, verifiable proof of twelve (12) consecutive months of sobriety immediately preceding the petition.
3. Upon petitioning for reinstatement, RESPONDENT SHALL satisfy all then existing requirements for relicensure.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED and ORDERED that this Order SHALL be applicable to Respondent's nurse licensure compact privileges, if any, to practice nursing in the State of Texas.

RESPONDENT'S CERTIFICATION

I understand that I have the right to legal counsel prior to signing this Agreed Order.

I waive representation by counsel. I have reviewed this Order. I neither admit nor deny the violation alleged herein. By my signature on this Order, I agree to the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, Order, and any conditions of said Order, to avoid further disciplinary action in this matter. I waive judicial review of this Order. I understand that this Order becomes final when accepted by the Executive Director at which time the terms of this Order become effective and a copy will be mailed to me.

Signed this 4<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2010.

Julie Ann Kelly  
JULIE ANN KELLY, Respondent

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 4 day of August, 2010.

SEAL

[Signature]  
Notary Public in and for the State of Colorado

ANTHONY CIANO  
NOTARY PUBLIC  
STATE OF COLORADO

My Commission Expires 02/20/2013

WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED, the Executive Director on behalf of the Texas Board of Nursing does hereby accept the voluntary surrender of Registered Nurse License Number 536126, previously issued to JULIE ANN KELLY.



Effective this 16<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2010.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Katherine A. Thomas".

Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN  
Executive Director on behalf  
of said Board